



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Applicant: John N. STANIFORTH, et al.  
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IMPROVED COMPRESSIBILITY**  
Examiner: Aradhana Sasan  
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Customer No.: 23280

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 6, 2007, reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks is respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Specification** are reflected on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.